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At the Court at St. *James's*, *July* 9. 1702.

PRESENT,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty,

His Royal Highness Prince *George* of *Denmark*,	Earl of *Oxford*,
Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*,	Earl of *Radnor*,
Lord Keeper,	Earl of *Nottingham*,
Lord Treasurer,	Earl of *Rochester*,
Lord President,	Earl of *Romney*,
Lord Privy-Seal,	Earl of *Ranelagh*,
Duke of *Somerset*,	Lord *Dartmouth*,
Duke of *Schonberg*,	Mr. *Boyle*,
Lord Great Chamberlain,	Lord Chief Justice *Holt*,
Lord Chamberlain,	Master of the Rolls,
	Lord Chief Justice *Trevor*,
	Mr. *Smith*.

HER *Majesty is Pleased to Declare, That She judges the Selling of Offices and Places in Her Houshold and Family, to be Highly Dishonourable to Her Majesty, Prejudicial to Her Service, and a Discouragement to Virtue and true Merit, which can and shall only Recommend Persons for Her Royal Approbation; and that Her Majesty is Resolved to prevent such Selling of the same, and therefore Declares Her Pleasure to be, That no Officer or Servant whatsoever, that is or shall be of Her Family or Houshold, do presume to Sell or Buy, or suffer to be Sold or Bought any Office or Place therein, under Pain of incurring Her Majesty's Displeasure, and of being removed from Her Service: And that all Persons concerned may take Notice hereof, Her Majesty Commands, That this Declaration be forthwith Printed and Published.*

JOHN POVEY.

St. James's, *July* 8. The following Address was presented to Her Majesty by Mr. *Gastairs*, one of Her Majesty's Chaplains for the Kingdom of *Scotland*.

To the Queen's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the United Presbytries of the Shires of *Ross* and *Sutherland*, in the North of *Scotland*.

WE *Your Majesty's Loyal, Dutiful and Obedient Subjects, the Ministers of the United Presbytries of* Ross *and* Sutherland, *from a Sense of Duty embrace this Opportunity to Congratulate Your Majesty's just Succession and peaceable Accession to the Imperial Crown of this Your ancient Kingdom of* Scotland, *wishing sincerely that God Almighty may be pleased to give Your Majesty Conduct in all Your Administrations, Protection from all Your Enemies, Satisfie You with long Life, and shew You his Salvation.*

Though Your Majesty succeeds in a most Critical Juncture to so Eminent and Heroical a Prince as our late Sovereign King William, *the Abolisher of Arbitrary Government in the State, and the Restorer of the ancient Presbyterian Government of this Church so acceptable to us, who has left all the Protestant Churches, especially this of* Scotland, *with heavy Hearts and weeping Eyes; Yet since in the Lord* Jehovah *there is everlasting Strength, and that he Honours them who Honour him, therefore it is our earnest Prayer to God, that You may be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his Might. May Your Majesty therefore go on according to those early Assurances You were pleased to give at Your first Accession to the Crown, to seek his Glory, the Good of his Church, and the Comfort of his People.*

We assure Your Majesty, That if either our Prayers to Heaven, or Doctrine and Example of Loyalty among Your People, can be of any use, we will make it our business to demonstrate how sensible we are, that not only Humane Constitutions, but much more, the most Sacred and Inviolable Laws, the Laws of God, oblige us to be, May it please Your Majesty, Your Majesty's most Faithful, most Obedient, and most Humble Subjects.

Which Address Her Majesty received very graciously.

Naples, *June* 20. *N.S.* The Gallies of this Kingdom are returned from *Final*, having attended the King of *Spain* in his Passage thither. The Government here have given Orders for proceeding against the Prince of *Trebisaccia* who is imprisoned in *Castelnuovo*, though it is said, that the principal Evidence against him is only a Letter he wrote to the Marquis *del Vasto*, which was intercepted. However, the seizing of him and of several other Persons of Quality, upon account of the Conspiracy that is said to have been lately discovered, has caused a great alarm among the Favourers of the House of *Austria*, who are most of them retired to *Abruzzo*, where their Party is so strong that they think themselves out of Danger. The frequent Disputes between the French and Spanish Soldiers in Garison here, have of late occasioned such Disorders, that the Government has found it necessary to publish an Order, forbidding any one to draw his Sword in any Quarrel, on pain of two Years confinement to the Gallies. Cardinal *Barberini*, the Pope's Legate, intends in 3 or 4 days to go on board the Gallies that brought him hither, in order to return to *Nettuno*.

Rome, *June* 24. An Express arrived here last Week from the Pope's Nuncio in *Poland*, to acquaint him with the Posture of Affairs in that Kingdom, and to desire further Instructions whereby to regulate his Conduct in this Conjuncture, which have accordingly been sent him by another Express. The Imperial Ambassador received a Courier from *Vienna* the 19th Instant, which is supposed to have brought some Dispatches of Moment, for he sent a Letter the next Morning to Cardinal *Paolucci*, the Pope's Secretary of State, who immediately went up with it to the Pope, and he thereupon sent for Cardinal *Sacripante*, and was a long time in Conference with these two Cardinals. There is a Report, but how well grounded is not yet known, that the Subject of it was a Treaty that is said to be on foot for a Marriage between the *Infant* of *Portugal* and one of the Arch-dutchesses. Prince *Borghese*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the King of *Spain*, is preparing for his publick Entry, which is appointed to be the 5th of the next Month.

Rensbourg, *July* 6. The King of *Denmark* came some days ago from *Copenhagen* and *Frederickstad*, and arrived here this day; and intends in 4 or 5 days to visit the Towns of *Gluckstad* and *Itzehoa*. It is said, That about 7000 Men are ordered to march hither from *Norway*.

Cologne, *July* 11. The Forces which were employed in the Siege of *Keyserswaert*, are marched to the Camp near *Nimeghen*, except a few Squadrons